GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POST OFFICES/SUB POST OFFICES IN THE COUNTRY
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government have set any target to open post offices and Sub Post Office in the country particularly in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) If so, the details thereof during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) The achievement made vis-a-vis the targets State-wise;

(d) The number of head post offices, post offices and branch post offices functioning in the country at present, State-wise;

(e) Whether branch post offices are not being opened in several villages despite fulfilling the laid down criteria for this purpose;

(f) If so, the reasons therefor; and
(g) The number of villages where branch post offices have been decided to be opened during the year 2001-2002

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OFCOMMUNICATIONS(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes Sir,

(b)&(c): Circle-wise targets and achievements made with regard to opening of Sub- Post Offices(SO) and Branch Post Offices(BO) including that of Uttar Pradesh during the last three years is given in Annexure-A.

(d) Circle-wise number of Head Post Offices, Post Offices and branch Post Offices functioning in the country is given in Annexure-B

(e)&(f): Post Offices are opened as a part of the Plan activity according to Annual targets,subject to fulfillment of prescribed norms and sanctioning of required number of posts by the Ministry of Finance.

(g) Targets for opening of Post Offices in rural area are yet to be finalised.for the year 2001-2002

Annexure-B

CATEGORY WISE NUMBER OF POST OFFICES IN THE COUNTRY AS ON 31-3-2000

S.NO.	CIRCLES	HEAD OFFICES	DEPTT. SUB OFFICES	EXTRA DEPTT SUB OFFICES	EXTRA DEPTT. BRANCH OFFICES	TOTAL NO. OF POST OFFICES
1	ANDHRA	104	2363	53	13672	16192
2	ASSAM	19	597	36	3259	3911
3	BIHAR	42	1442	127	10354	11965
4	DELHI	9	420	20	126	575
5	GUJARAT	43	1366	45	7530	8984
	D.N.HAVELI	nil	3	nil	32	35
	D & DIU	nil	6	nil	12	18
6	HARYANA	15	467	13	2155	2650
7	HIMACHAL	18	444	18	2287	2767
8	J & K	9	247	25	1379	1660
9	KARNATAKA	70	1785	296	7722	9873
10	KERALA	51	1455	524	3026	5056
	LAKSHDWEEP	7	5	2	14	11
	M. PRADESH	52	1383	98	9843	11376
12	MAHARASHTRA	61	2084	129	10195	12469
	GOA	2	104	3	149	258
13	NORTH EAST					
	ARUNACHAL	1	46	nil	254	301
	MANIPUR	1	52	nil	638	691
	MEGHALYA	2	62	1	422	487

MIZORAM	1	38	4	357	400
NAGALAND	1	40	nil	281	322
TRIPURA	3	80	14	615	712
14 ORISSA	35	1166	195	6739	8135
15 PUNJAB	21	765	10	3093	3889
CHANDIGARH	1	43	1	7	52
16 RAJASTHAN	55	1404	102	8833	10394
17 TAMIL NADU	91	2731	219	9030	12071
PONDICHERRY	1	33	nil	61	95
18 U. PRADESH	86	2844	458	16845	20233
19 WEST BENGAL	44	1645	337	6636	8662
A & N ISLAND	1	25	7	65	98
SIKKIM	1	19	6	180	206
TOTAL	840	25166	2746	125799	154551

Annexure-A

CIRCLE WISE BREAK UP OF POST OFFICES OPENED DURING LAST THREE YEARS

S.No.	Circles	TARGET 1997-98	OPENED 1997-98	TARGET 1998-99	OPENED 1998-99	TARGET 99-2000	OPENED 99-2000
		BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO	BO SO
1	ANDHRA	10 2	10 3	10 2	10 2	15 2	4 3
2	ASSAM	25 2	18 3	54 5	54 5	50 4	24 7
3	BIHAR	40 5	31 4	72 2	72 2	50 3	51 nil
4	DELHI	5 2	5 2	4 2	4 2	4 24	2 5
	GUJARAT	25 2	18 3	31 2	31 2	30 3	28 2
6	HARYANA	15 2	13 2	13 3	13 3	15 2	12 1
7	HIMACHAL	10 2	4 nil	7 1	7 1	7 1	2 1
8	J & K	15 1	11 1	23 1	23 1	15 1	14 1
9	KARNATAKA	30 5	24 5	12 4	12 4	21 3	21 3
10	KERALA	10 2	7 1	12 3	12 3	4 2	4 2
11	M.P.	37 2	41 2	50 5	50 5	40 4	40 4
12	MAHRASHTRA	35 3	34 4	69 3	69 3	50	2 50 3
13	NORTH EAST	25 3	18 3	54 3	54 3	40 2	19 3
14	ORISSA	27 2	21 3	10 2	10 2	14 2	14 2
15	PUNJAB	17 2	12 2	12 2	12 2	10 1	9 1
16	RAJASTHAN	33 2	33 1	30 1	30 1	27 2	24 1
17	TAMIL NADU	21 2	21 3	10 2	10 2	15 2	15 2
18	U.P.	70 6	57 6	82 3	82 3	50 3	10 2
19	W.BENGAL	50 3	24 4	43 4	43 4	43 9	41 9
	TOTAL	500 50	402 52	598 50	598 50	500 50	386 49

Annexure-A

TARGETS FOR OPENING OF EXTRA DEPARTMENTAL BRANCH POST OFFICES AND SUB POST OFFICES DURING ANNUAL PLAN 2000-2001.

S.No.	Name of Circle	EDBOs	DSOs
1	Andhra Pradesh	15	2
2.	Assam	30	3
3.	Bihar	75	7

4. Delhi 04 2

5. Gujarat 20 3
6. Haryana 15 2

7 Himachal Pradesh07 1

8. Jammu & Kashmir 05 1

9. Karnataka 21 2
10. Kerala 04 2
11. Madhya Pradesh 40 3
12. Maharashtra 60 2
13. North East 40 2
14. Orissa 10 2
15. Punjab 14 2
16. Rajasthan 20 2
17. Tamil Nadu 15 2
18. Uttar Pradesh 50 3
19. West Bengal 55 7
 Total 500 50